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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Graham, et al.

Serial No.: 09/781,695

Filed: February 12, 2001

For: **METHODS OF INDUCING
PRODUCTION OF ISOFLAVONES IN
PLANTS USING NUCLEAR
RECEPTOR LIGANDS**

Examiner: Not yet assigned

Group Art Unit: 1615

Attorney Docket No.: 22727/04056

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated March 14, 2001, applicants respectfully submit the enclosed executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. Applicants filed the above-described application and affirmatively asserted small entity status by checking the appropriate box on the application cover sheet. The Patent Office has requested in the above-referenced Notice to File Missing Parts that Applicants provide a small entity statement in order to qualify for the reduced small entity fee, or alternatively pay the large entity fee. According to the amended rule relating to small entities, 37 C.F.R. §1.27, effective September 08, 2000, Applicants are not required to provide a small entity statement in order to properly claim small entity status. Applicants are enclosing checks for \$447.00 as payment of the basic application

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filing fee, the appropriate surcharge and additional claims fees and \$195.00 as payment of a two month extension of time in which to respond. Applicants believe that no further action is required to satisfy the filing requirements in connection with the above-described application. A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts received from the Patent Office is also enclosed.

If additional fees are required please charge them to our Deposit Account No. 03-0172. Please credit any overpayment to same Deposit Account. A duplicate of this paper is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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